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# S. 1646

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 27, 2017

Mr. CARDIN (for himself and Mr. VAN HOLLEN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

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## A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

### 3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “President Street Sta-  
5 tion Study Act”.

### 6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 In this Act:

8 (1) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means  
9 the Secretary of the Interior.

1           (2) STUDY AREA.—The term “study area”  
2       means the President Street Station, a railroad ter-  
3       minal in Baltimore, Maryland, the history of which  
4       is tied to the growth of the railroad industry in the  
5       19th century, the Civil War, the Underground Rail-  
6       road, and the immigrant influx of the early 20th  
7       century.

8   **SEC. 3. SPECIAL RESOURCE STUDY.**

9       (a) STUDY.—The Secretary shall conduct a special  
10      resource study of the study area.

11      (b) CONTENTS.—In conducting the study under sub-  
12      section (a), the Secretary shall—

13           (1) evaluate the national significance of the  
14      study area;

15           (2) determine the suitability and feasibility of  
16      designating the study area as a unit of the National  
17      Park System;

18           (3) consider other alternatives for preservation,  
19      protection, and interpretation of the study area by  
20      the Federal Government, State or local government  
21      entities, or private and nonprofit organizations;

22           (4) consult with interested Federal agencies,  
23      State or local governmental entities, private and  
24      nonprofit organizations, or any other interested indi-  
25      viduals; and

1           (5) identify cost estimates for any Federal ac-  
2           quisition, development, interpretation, operation, and  
3           maintenance associated with the alternatives.

4           (c) APPLICABLE LAW.—The study required under  
5           subsection (a) shall be conducted in accordance with sec-  
6           tion 100507 of title 54, United States Code.

7           (d) REPORT.—Not later than 3 years after the date  
8           on which funds are first made available for the study  
9           under subsection (a), the Secretary shall submit to the  
10          Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Rep-  
11          resentatives and the Committee on Energy and Natural  
12          Resources of the Senate a report that describes—

13                 (1) the results of the study; and

14                 (2) any conclusions and recommendations of the  
15          Secretary.

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